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RUMANIAN PRODUCTS EXHIBITED AT LEIPZIG FAIR; TRADE AGREEMENT WITH EAST GERMANY

Numbers in parentheses refer to appended sources.

Exhibition of Rumanian Products

In its pavilion at the Leipzig Fair, the RPR (Rumanian People's Republic) exhibited chemical and petroleum products, and products of the woodworking industry, as well as fruit, grain, leatner goods, textiles, and building materials. Other exhibits included machines and tools, ball bearings, precision instruments, and other goods which were not formerly produced in the RPR.

Among the new machines were the following: the KD-35 made by the Sovrom Tractor Works, a 130-millimeter drill, a 175-kilowatt [generator?] unit, a 5,600-kilowatt transformer, a lathe made by the Josif Ranghet Plant in Arad, a 300-ton crane, and oil field equipment.(1)

Foreign Trade

The volume of trade of the RPR has already surpassed the prewar figures. Exchange of goods with the RPR is favorable to the purchaser. It is well known that the quality will be as stated and that contracts will be faithfully executed.

There are no problems of foreign bills of exchange for the buyer, since goods can be paid for in goods needed by Rumania.(2)

Trade Agreement With East Germany

The representative of the Rumanian government, Deputy Prime Minister Chivu Stoica, and the representative of the German Democratic Republic government, Deputy Prime Minister Heinich Rau, met on 10 - 12 September 1952 in Berlin. Also present at these meetings were Miron Constantinescu and Brund Leusshner, Chairmen of the State Planning Committee for Rumania and the German Democratic Republic respectively. They examined the problems of economic cooperation between the RPR

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and the German Democratic Republic and agreed upon the necessity of developing economic cooperation between the two parties, to aid in the building of socialism ir both countries.

The conversations were carried on in the spirit of cooperation and mutual agreement. The following protocol was drawn up:

- 1. The German Democratic Republic is to deliver to the RPR machines, and equipment for mining, metallurgical, and woodworking industries.
- 2. The RFR is to deliver to the German Democratic Republic raw material, metallurgical and chemical products, wood products, and other goods.
- 3. A mixed German-Rumanian association will be established on an equal basis for development of the Rumanian chemical industry using raw material available in Rumania.

The protocol was signed in Berlin on 12 September 1952.(1)

SOURCES

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